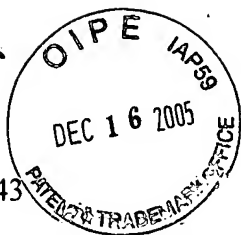


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This Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 6, 2005 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period for reply is December 6, 2005. Accordingly, this Response is being timely submitted.

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